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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM DIXY LEE RAY

1. WHILE I FULLY UNDERSTAND YOUR ANXIETY FOR EARLY SELECTION OF REPLACEMENT FOR DR. SIMONPIETRI, I WOULD PREFER TO DELAY FINAL SELECTION OF CANDIDATE FOR MEXICO CITY UNTIL I HAVE HAD CHANCE TO COMPLETE REVIEW OF ATTACHE PROGRAM AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO THE TOTAL S&T OBJECTIVES OF THE DEPARTMENT. OVERALL STUDY OF PROGRAM IS NOW IN PROCESS AND HOPEFULLY WILL BE COMPLETED IN APRIL.

2. TO BRIDGE GAP UNTIL REPLACEMENT IS NAMED I WOULD BE WILLING TO HAVE OES PURSUE WITHIN DEPARTMENT A POSSIBLE EXTENSION OF DR. SIMONPIETRI'S TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT AT OES EXPENSE, TO COVER POST ON TDY BASIS FOLLOWING HIS RETIREMENT. IF THIS ARRANGEMENT WOULD HELP YOUR SITUATION YOU MAY WISH TO RAISE THIS POSSIBILITY WITH DR. SIMONPIETRI IN TERMS OF HIS WILLINGNESS TO COVER THE POST ON THIS BASIS. MY OFFICE WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH HIM ON DETAILS OF TDY

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SHOULD THAT BE IN ORDER.

3. WHEN PERMANENT CANDIDATE IS NAMED WE WILL CERTAINLY
ENDEAVOR TO INCLUDE IN ORIENTATION ARRANGEMENTS
OPPORTUNITY FOR DR. SIMONPIETRI TO ASSIST IN INTRODUCING
HIM TO APPROPRIATE CONTACTS IN MEXICO. INGERSOLL

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